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**CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS, INCLUDING THE QUESTION OF
RELIGIOUS INTOLERANCE**

**Note verbale dated 22 March 2002 from the Permanent Mission of
the Sudan to the United Nations Office at Geneva addressed to the
Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights**

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Sudan to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and has the honour to inform it that the Sudanese Cabinet of Ministers decided at its ordinary session No. 1 of 2001 held on 7 January 2001 that the Ministry of the Interior, in coordination with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Tourism and Culture and the security authorities, would guarantee aliens the freedom to travel to any part of the Sudan with the exception of military operational areas.

The Permanent Mission would be most grateful if the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights would circulate this text* as an official document of the fifty-eighth session of the Commission on Human Rights in the context of the agenda item on implementation of religious freedoms.

* The annex is reproduced as received in the language of submission and in English only.

Annex

THE REPUBLIC OF THE SUDAN

Council of Ministers

Office of the Minister

Date: 20 Shawwal 1421 A.H.

Corresponding to: 15 January 2001

Subject: Instructions from the distinguished Cabinet of Ministers

"Peace and the Mercy and Blessings of Almighty God be upon you."

Brothers, please note that the distinguished Cabinet of Ministers, at its session No. 1 of 2001 held on 13 Shawwal 1421 A.H. and corresponding to 7 January 2001, decided that the Ministry of the Interior, in coordination with the Ministries of Foreign Affairs, the Environment and Tourism and the security authorities, will guarantee aliens the freedom to travel to any part of the country with the exception of the excluded (operational) areas.

We request that you take such measures as are necessary to implement the above-mentioned instructions.

"God knows the purpose and he leads the way."

(Signed)

General Abd al-Rahman Sirr al-Khatim
Minister of Cabinet Affairs

The Minister of the Interior
cc: The Minister of Foreign Affairs
The Minister of the Environment and Tourism
Advisor to the President on Security Affairs